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A.—(*a*) & (*b*) Four coconut nurseries are at present functioning in this State in the following places :—

(i) Nileshwar (South Kanara district) from 1st October 1944.

(ii) Badagara (North Malabar district) from 1st April 1954.

(iii) Pattambi (South Malabar district) from 1st September 1947.

(iv) Pattukkottai (Tanjore district) from 1st January 1946.

(*c*) The targets prescribed for each nursery and that actually achieved during the last four planting seasons are as follows :—

Nursery centre.	*Target fixed in the scheme for each year (seedlings).*	*Actual achievement (seedlings).* 1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Nileshwar ..	48,000	30,127	42,752	44,872	47,965
Pattambi ..	48,000	45,203	40,589	44,581	41,904
Pattukkottai	19,200	15,938	17,922	17,240	19,530
Coimbatore ..	6,400	6,805	6,302	6,208	6,040
Tindivanam	6,400	5,818	5,365	5,990	6,153

(*d*) All these nurseries were receiving financial assistance from the Indian Central Coconut Committee till 31st March 1954 and all of them except the nursery at Pattambi are continuing to receive such assistance even after that date. The Pattambi nursery alone is being run entirely at the cost of the State Government from 1st April 1954. The Coconut Committee reviews the progress of work at the nurseries run with its financial assistance on the basis of reports sent every year by the State Government.

(*e*) There is no such proposal.

(*f*) Does not arise.

(*g*) Does not arise.

(*h*) Does not arise.

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—ADJOURNMENT MOTION *RE* REFUSAL OF PERMITS FOR CUTTING OF OLD TREES IN PRIVATE FORESTS IN MALABAR DISTRICT.

MR. SPEAKER :—" Hon. Member Sri K. P. Gopalan has given notice of a motion to adjourn the House to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely :—

' That this House stands adjourned to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the action of the Collector of Malabar in refusing to give permits for discriminate cutting of old trees in the private forests of Malabar and thus paralysing the important timber industry of Malabar resulting in the unemployment of about a lakh of workers engaged in the industry and the closure of many timber mills and depots throughout Malabar and the failure of the Government to intervene in the matter urgently. '

" I do not understand how this can be said to be a matter of urgent public importance. It is definitely not a matter of urgent public importance. The hon. Member can bring this matter during the discussion on the Governor's Address. I therefore rule it out of order."

III.—PANEL OF CHAIRMEN.

MR. SPEAKER :—" Under rule 15 of the Madras Assembly Rules, I desire to nominate from amongst the members of the Assembly the following hon. Members to be the Panel of Chairmen for the current session :—

(1) Sri P. G. Karuthiruman.

(2) Sri S. Ramalingam.

(3) Sri S. S. Kolkebail.

(4) Sri M. Chadayan.

" The House will now take into consideration the Address delivered by the Governor to both the Houses assembled together on 1st December 1954."

IV.—DISCUSSION ON THE GOVERNOR'S ADDRESS.

SRI P. SELVARAJ :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to move—

' *That an humble Address be presented to the Governor that the Members of the Madras Legislative Assembly thank him for the address delivered to the Members of the Legislature on the 1st December* 1954.' "

MR. SPEAKER :—" I may inform the House that to-day being Friday we will sit till 1 o'clock and reassemble at 3 p.m. when I will call the amendments to this motion."

* SRI P. SELVARAJ :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, I deem it a great privilege and an honour accorded to me to move this motion of thanks. The Address delivered by His Excellency was all comprehensive. Before I delve deeply into that domain, I would like to point out that the policy of our State is to create a Welfare State where everyone is bound to live for all and all for everyone. This is not an easy task to fulfil. It is a tremendous and an uphill task. The co-operation of every one of the public is an essential pre-requisite for the complete achievement of that objective. To attain a Welfare State, hon. Members of this House must also
12-10 p.m. co-operate and now our Government are progressively marching towards that goal. But some people are sceptical about the progress and they are likened unto those who, sitting on the Earth, feel that the Earth is not moving because the objects on the Earth do not move and are also likened unto those children who, touching on the berth of a train, cry that the train is not moving although